



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

## Los Angeles Region



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### EXECUTIVE MINUTES

473<sup>RD</sup> Board Meeting  
Thursday, May 6, 2004  
City of Simi Valley, Counsel Chambers  
2929 Tapo Canyon Road  
Simi Valley, CA

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#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:08am.

#### **Roll Call**

Board Members Present:

Francine Diamond (Chair), Susan Cloke (Vice Chair), Julie Buckner-Levy,  
Christopher Pak, H. David Nahai, and Timothy Shaheen.

Board Members Absent:

R. Keith McDonald and Bradley Mindlin.

#### **Order of Agenda**

Proposal:	To designate for future consideration agenda items: 9.1, 12.1, 12.2, 13.1, 13.2 and 16.		
Motion:	Cloke	Second:	Shaheen
Vote:	Support:	Buckner-Levy, Cloke, Diamond, Pak, Nahai, and Shaheen	
	Oppose:	None	
	Abstain:	None	
Proposal:	To consider Item 10 immediately before Item 8.1.		
Motion:	Shaheen	Second:	Buckner-Levy
Vote:	Support:	Buckner-Levy, Cloke, Diamond, Pak, Nahai, and Shaheen	
	Oppose:	None	
	Abstain:	None	

#### **Approval of Minutes**

April 1, 2004 Regular Board Meeting: Action postponed to 6-10-04 meeting.

### **California Environmental Protection Agency**

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**Board Member *Ex Parte*/Communication Disclosure**

Cloke:

- Represented the Board at a meeting of the North Santa Monica Bay Task Force.
- Represented the Board at a meeting of the Water Quality Coordinating Committee.
- Participated in negotiations re: *US/EPA and Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board v. City of Los Angeles*.
- Met with Zev Yaroslavsky, LA County Supervisor to discuss water quality issues.
- Met with Larry Kapland, Trust for Public Lands.

Diamond:

- Represented the Board at a US/EPA press conference announcing settlement agreement with Pick-Your-Part.
- Met with Don Wolf, Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, to discuss the Malibu Water Quality Conference.

**Executive Officers Report**

Summary report given by Dennis Dickerson

Report on web site: [www.swrcb.ca.gov/~rwqcb4/html/eo\\_reports/eo\\_reports.html](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/~rwqcb4/html/eo_reports/eo_reports.html)

**Public Forum**

*Margaret Neilor, Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County.* Presented update on efforts to reduce the level of chlorine in the Santa Clara River by discouraging the use of certain home water softeners.

*Lee Rennacker, Resident, City of Ojai.* Requested the Board to consider approval of subsurface drip disposal systems for residential use.

*John Haack, Halaco Engineering Company.* Presented summary of past and current activities to bring Halaco into compliance with water quality regulations.

*Mary Wiesbrock, Save Open Space.* Requested Board to investigate circumstances prompting and reasons for American Scientific to change lab test results for perchlorate in water samples taken from Ahmanson Ranch.

**Uncontested Items**

Proposal: To approve the following uncontested items: 8.2; 8.3; 8.4; 9.2; 11.1; 11.2; 14.1, 14.2, 15.1 and 15.2.

Motion: Shaheen. Second: Cloke

Vote: Support: Buckner-Levy, Cloke, Diamond, Pak, Nahai, and Shaheen

Oppose: None

Abstain: None

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### **Basin Planning/TMDL**

#### **Item 10. Consideration of proposed NPDES Permit addendum and issuance of Time Schedule Order for Harris Water Conditioning, Inc.**

Public Hearing Opened and Oath Administered.

Staff Report: Jonathan Bishop

Public Comment: Dan Detmer, United Water Conservation District and  
Chris Dasti, Resident, City of Santa Clarita

Proposal: To adopt the tentative Resolution to amend the Basin Plan.

Motion: Nahai Second: Pak

Vote: Support: Buckner-Levy, Cloke, Diamond, Pak,  
Nahai, and Shaheen

Oppose: None

Abstain: None

### **Waste Discharge Requirements**

#### **Item 8.1. Consideration of NPDES Requirements (Renewal) for The Boeing Company (Santa Susana Field Laboratory), Simi Hills.**

Public Hearing Opened and Oath Administered.

Staff Report: Dennis Dickerson

Public Comment: Steve Lafflam, The Boeing Company; Daniel Hirsch,  
Committee to Bridge the Gap; Elizabeth Crawford, Office of Ventura  
County Supervisor Parks; Jarrod DeGonia, Office of Ventura County  
Supervisor Mikels; Shelley Luce, Heal the Bay; Mary Wiesbrock, Save  
Open Space; Sue Boecker, Resident; Marie Mason, Resident; Sheldon  
Plotkin, Southern California Federation of Scientists; Dawn Kowaiski,  
Resident; Sybil Scottsford, on behalf of Barbara Johnson; Dorothy  
Boberg; Dorri Raskin; Gerard Abrams, Department of Toxic Substances  
Control.

Proposal: To continue consideration of renewal of the NDPES permit for the  
Boeing Company (Santa Susana Field Laboratory), Simi Hills.

Motion: Diamond Second: Nahai

Vote: Support: Buckner-Levy, Cloke, Diamond, Pak,  
Nahai, and Shaheen

Oppose: None

Abstain: None

### **Workshop**

#### **Item 17. Public Workshop on a draft Resolution adopting a proposed template Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), the proposed template MOU and a tentative general Waste Discharge Requirement (WDRs) for On-Site Sewage Treatment Systems**

Staff Report: Dennis Dickerson, assisted by Jenny Newman

Public Comment: Brent Lorscheider, City of Los Angeles; Dr. Gerry

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Greene, Los Angeles County Executive Advisory Committee; Toby Keeler, Las Virgines Homeowners Federation; Katie Lichtig, City of Malibu; Bruce Douglas, Questa Engineering Corp.; Craig George, City of Malibu; Pio Lombardo, Lombardo Associates, Inc.; Steve Braband, California Onsite Wastewater Association; Mark Capron, Ventura Regional Sanitation District; Steve Castellanos, City of La Canada/Flintridge; James Short, Resident, City of La Canada/Flintridge; Laura Olhasso, City of La Canada/Flintridge; Wes Seastrom Pasadena/Foothills Association of Realtors; Barbara Pieper, Resident; Shelley Luce, Heal the Bay; Mark Pestrella, County of Los Angeles; Eric Alderete, representing the Cities of Agoura Hills, Monrovia and Rancho Palos Verdes; Wayne Fishback; Brian Jensen.

**Closed Session**

**Item 18. Closed Session.**

*The Board met in closed session to consider the following litigation matters:* City of Los Angeles, City of Burbank v. Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board; Trash TMDL Lawsuit Against the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board; US/EPA and Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board v. City of Los Angeles; City of Thousand Oaks v. Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board; Litigation filed in Los Angeles Superior Court, In Re: Municipal Storm Water Permit for Los Angeles County Order No. 01-182; Petition to SWRCB No. A-1591; Petition to SWRCB No. A-1484; Petition to SWRCB No. A-1619 and 1619(a); petition to SWRCB No A-1613 and In RE Halaco Engineering Company.

**Adjournment of Current Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.

The next regular meeting was scheduled for June 10, 2004 at the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, 700 North Allemande Street, Los Angeles, CA, at 9:00am.

Minutes adopted at the June 10, 2004 Regular Board Meeting.

Written and submitted by: Stephen Cain, Sr. Environmental Planner, Executive Office.

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